



THE UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE SENATE  
Approved Minutes

Friday, February 3, 2023  
1:30p.m., Red Crow Community College

- Present:** C. Weaselhead (Chair), F. Baskerville, K. Bhatt, D. Boras, M. Booyens, R. Bright, D. Colwell, K. Colwell, R. DeGagne, G. DeSteur, J. Dempsey, J. Dubiel, N. Gabbin, B. Galts, C. Gillespie, K. Greenwood, S. Koppe, M. Letts, J. Ma, H. MacBeath, M. Mahon, C. McCord, D. McKenna, A. Mercader, J. Miller, E. Okine, L. Peterson, T. Petriw, T. Rempel, D. Saunders, D. Scott, B. Spenceley, S. Sjovold, M. Thomas, B. Tucker
- Regrets:** C. Bester, T. Boulet, R. Doria, A. Fox-Bruised Head, J. Frey, M. Gettman, T. Grindle, M. Hogue, B. Hughes, L. Kolk, A. Mardon, S. Mintz, T. Oosterbroek, T. Panczak, U. Patel, D. Piper, M. Qazi, K. Rabbit-Young Pine, I. Russell, I. Shakespeare, N. Walker, M. Watson
- Others:** J. Gallais, A. Piekema
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**WELCOME**

*Chancellor, C. Weaselhead provided the opening welcome.*

*Oki, and welcome to the University of Lethbridge. Our University's Blackfoot name is Iniskim, meaning Sacred Buffalo Stone. The University is located in traditional Blackfoot Confederacy territory. We honour the Blackfoot people and their traditional ways of knowing in caring for this land, as well as all Indigenous Peoples who have helped shape and continue to strengthen our University community.*

*President & Vice-Chancellor M. Mahon introduced and welcomed Dr Leroy Little Bear. Blessing was done by Elders and members from Red Crow College.*

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: sen.2023.02.01

Boras/K. Colwell

*That the agenda for the meeting of February 3, 2023 be approved.*

Motion: Carried

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: sen.2023.02.02

Baskerville/Scott

*That the minutes of the meeting of December 2, 2022 be approved.*

Motion: Carried

**3. ITEMS FOR ACTION**

3.1. Appointment of Chancellor

MOTION: sen.2023.02.03

Bhatt/Dubiel

*That Senate approves the appointment of Terry Whitehead as the 15<sup>th</sup> Chancellor of the University of Lethbridge, for a four-year term beginning on March 16, 2023.*

Motion: Carried

***\*\*confidentiality is of the utmost importance until the University makes this announcement\*\****

3.2. Senate Appointment

MOTION: sen.2023.02.04

Mahon/Galts

*That the Senate approve the appointments of Terri Saunders and Gyan Mankee as Representative members for an initial three-year term effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

**4. CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS**

C. Weaselhead reported on the completion of the Presidential Search as well as the Board activities with the search. Touched on the events welcoming the incoming President. Provided a brief update on how many award recipient's he has been able to connect with. As well as the ongoing work with health initiatives. Spent some time reflecting on the impact of his time as Chancellor and what plans he has going forward.

**5. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

M. Mahon started by thanking Charlie for his past 4 years as Chancellor and all of his outstanding work in that time. President Mahon presented Chancellor Weaselhead with a key to the University and a piece of artwork from a student artist. Then shared his report on the events coming up for the announcement of the incoming President and invited senate members to attend. Encouraged members to volunteer and attend play day, an event that was created thanks to his daughter's idea. President Mahon spoke to the events that have taken place on campus over the last week and gave some context of how these

decisions were made.

## **6. REPORTS**

### **6.1. Board of Governors**

T. Boulet was not in attendance, report stood as submitted.

### **6.2. General Faculties Council**

D. Scott indicated that the report stands as in the agenda package. No questions arose.

### **6.3. Alumni Association**

D. McKenna highlighted the information submitted in the ULAA report, highlighted the need for volunteers for play day. No questions arose.

### **6.4. Graduate Students' Association**

J. Dubiel informed members about Meeting of the Minds happening on March 25<sup>th</sup>, they have had great numbers for registration, community is welcome to attend and see the research work being done by our Graduate Students. No formal report was submitted.

### **6.5. Students' Union**

K. Bhatt highlighted the information submitted in her report. She explained from a student perspective the impact of Wednesdays events. Much praise was given to our students and how they conducted themselves, it was a very successful, emotional student led demonstration.

### **6.6. Executive Committee**

C. Weaselhead was unable to attend the Executive meeting, M. Mahon chaired meeting, and the report within the agenda stands as is. No questions arose.

### **6.7. Engagement Committee**

D. Boras indicated that the report stands as submitted. Dr Bright asked about how she can assist with the mace visits. Will try to help to connect groups to get these visits happening again.

### **6.8. Honorary Degree Committee**

C. Bester was not in attendance. HDR committee has not met since our last meeting.

### **6.9. Volunteer Award Committee**

C. Weaselhead informed committee that a recipient was chosen and notified for this award; the successful candidate was overjoyed with the news. No details as of when the announcement will be made yet.

### **6.10. Other Member Reports/Inquiries**

## **7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **7.1. Chancellor/President Transition**

J. Gallais let members know about the upcoming events that senate members can put in their calendars. We encourage members to attend the new president community welcome as well as the Mahon family recognition dinner.

### **7.2. Senate Moments**

D. Boras opened the floor to members who shared experiences that make them proud to be a member of Senate. Today many proud moments were shared by

multiple senate members about how proud they are to be a part of the Uleth community.

**8. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of Senate is Friday, April 14, 2023 at 1:30pm.

MOTION: sen.2023.02.05

K. Colwell/DeSteur

*That the Senate meeting be adjourned.*

Motion: Carried